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(Start Belt #5)

Question is, shall L.B. 429 be advanced from general file to E&R initial. All those in favor vote aye. All those opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Clerk will record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, no nays, 23 not voting.

PRESIDENT: Very good, the bill is advanced.

CLERK: Legislative Bill 430, introduced by Senator Nore of the 22nd district. (read). There are no amendments.

PRESIDENT: Chair recognizes Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: I move the bill be advanced to E&R for initial. What this does, it sets the date upon which the members in a first class district are elected to the first meeting of the board following its election. It only indicates, as I understand the bill, the time in which the new members take the position on the board. I move the bill be advanced.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion of L.B. 430? Question is shall L.B. 430 be advanced from general file to E&R initial? All those in favor vote aye. All those opposed vote no. We are advancing L.B. 430. Clerk will record.

CLERK: 28 ayes, no nays, 21 not voting.

PRESIDENT: Bill is advanced. This brings up L.B. 435.

CLERK: Legislative Bill 435. Introduced by Senator Nore of the 22nd district. (read)

PRESIDENT: Very good. Chair recognizes Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: I move the bill be advanced to E&R initial. Now, Senator Lewis said he is in a position to ask a question of Senator Kelly and I suggest they both enter into question and answer.

PRESIDENT: All right. Senator Kelly, do you want to pose your question on this bill? Apparently Senator Lewis is prepared to respond.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President, question of Senator Lewis. I don't understand from L.B. 435 how the caucus is set up or how that handles.

PRESIDENT: Senator Frank Lewis.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Mr. President and Members of the Legislature. The caucus authority method used in Class 3 schools in some cases, I think West Side probably is one that uses it the most, the only one; but it is permissive legislation for all Class 3 districts and you simply have the old concept of a caucus where everybody that was interested in placing nominees before the body places a nominee and then they select two people for each slot and those two names go on the ballot and they run in the general election. There is no--

SENATOR KELLY: There are statutory--

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Yes.

SENATOR KELLY: -- ways that spell out how--

SENATOR F. LEWIS: It's already set up for Class 3 school districts if they wish to use it and it simply would make it applicable to Class 5 districts--